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MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

[1] Gen MARK W CLARK, UN Supreme Comdr in Korea: "We must face the fact that this is not peace, but a suspension of hostilities. . . The conflict will not be over until the gov'ts concerned have reached a firm political settlement." . . [2] SYNGMAN RHEE, pres, S Korea: "I have opposed the signing of the truce because of my conviction it will prove to be a prelude to more war, not less; to more suffering and ruin; to further Communist advances by subversion. I pray my judgment of its effects may turn out to be wrong." . . [3] Rep CARL VINSON (D-Ga), mbr of House Armed Services Comm: "The truce is good news. It does not mean, tho, that our Army can be brought home now. We will have to stay for an indefinite time." . . [4] Ex-Pres HARRY S TRUMAN, *commenting on Korean truce*: "I sincerely hope—and I want to underline that word hope—that it means peace." . . [5] Young GI in Army hospital in Seoul, who lost both legs

Quote of the Week

Pres DWIGHT D EISENHOWER, *expressing wish of parents everywhere*: "This war is over and I hope my son is going to come home soon."

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day before armistice was signed: "If I could have just made it a few hrs more, I'd be walking when I meet my wife again." . . [6] GEORGI MALENKOV, Russian Premier: "The signing of the armistice has given rise to great satisfaction among all Soviet people, who consider the successful ending of the armistice negotiations a great victory for the Korean and the Chinese people's volunteers." . . [7] CHAS E WILSON, Sec'y of Defense: "Korea has been only one small part of the threat that the free world faces from Communist imperialism. The end of the fighting in Korea does not mean the end of that threat."

THIRTEENTH YEAR OF PUBLICATION



Grim-visaged war hath smooth'd his wrinkled front; our bruised arms hung up for monuments. But let us not assume that the winter of our discontent is now made glorious summer.

In any consideration of the armistice and its postlude, the significant point is that we have a lull at arms because Communist forces will it so. But a supervised armistice, such as has now been signed, would be pointless (for the Communists, as for the Western world) if it did not hold some prospect of a plateau on which a more enduring concord can be planned. Nevertheless, in any discussion of "permanent" peace, the quotation marks are indispensable.

The signs indicate that Communism has slowed its course, it would be naive indeed to assume that the objective has been altered. The new leaf, be it turned in Kremlin cloister, will merely provide more space on which to write

the continuing narrative of Communist determination to everywhere prevail.

Conflicting stories on size of coming draft calls reflect a difference of opinion. So long as Army stands at 3.5 million, there will be need for a million replacements yearly. The question at issue is the number of enlistees. Hershey believes the Korean armistice will result in fewer voluntary sign-ups, thus a higher percentage of drafted men. In any case, some temporary slow-up in draft, pending reorganization of our forces in Korea.

Sudden death of Sen Tobey (R-N H) dramatizes theme on which we have lately dwelt: the tenuous thread by which Republicans hold Senate control. In this instance a Republican governor will act to maintain *status quo*. But there are 5 Republican senators from states having Democratic gov's. A replacement in any of these cases could give Demo's a working majority. On the other hand, to be sure, there are 16 Democratic senators from states with Republican gov's. So the 83rd Congress—so far as Senate rule is concerned—promises to run along pretty much nip and tuck.



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"He who never quotes, is never quoted."
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Charles Haddon Spurgeon



AGE—1

Middle age is that time in life when women won't admit their age and men won't act theirs.—*Arcadia* (Wis) *News-Leader*.

AMERICA—Future—2

The future of the American mind is great because the categories of its thought have not yet been frozen by history into the inviolable, nor by partisan interest into the untouchable.—RICHARD D MOSIER, *The American Temper: Patterns of Our Intellectual Heritage* (Univ of Calif Press).

AUTOMOBILES—3

The automobile—once considered an expensive luxury—has become a necessary working tool to 2 3 of our American families. A recent survey showed also that more than half of all the employed persons in the U S use passenger cars in earning their living. Production and distribution of motor cars furnishes more than a million people with jobs.—*Industrial Press Service*.

BEHAVIOR—4

History is essentially an account of the behavior of men, and if the behavior of men is not subject to any kind of systematizing, this world is even more cockeyed than the seers would have it. You have only to look at a page of Theophrastus or of Chaucer to see that Greeks of more than 2000 yrs ago and Englishmen of 6 cen-

turies ago seem in many ways extraordinarily like Americans today.—CRANE BRINTON, *The Anatomy of Revolution* (Prentice-Hall).

CHILD—Training—5

Mothers and fathers today are like workmen in a factory trying to turn out their product by kerosene lamps, like carpenters trying to cut with a dull saw, like farmers trying to plow with a balky mule. Modern life has taken away many of the tools parents need to do their job of child rearing. . . Real jobs that children can handle, necessary chores that are a part of family life, are almost nonexistent. . . Mat's children can work with — water, sand, mud, boards, leaves, trees, dirt, streams —are no longer right at hand. Even the whole silent structure of *This is right* and *This is wrong* is crumbling. In its place are alternatives and choices.—JAS L HYMES, Jr, *Effective Home-School Relations* (Prentice Hall).

COMMUNISM—6

Communism is an evil thing. It is contrary to the spiritual, moral, and material aspirations of man. These very reasons give rise to my conviction that it will decay and die of its own poisons. But that may be many yrs away and, in the meantime, we must be prepared for a long journey.—HERBERT HOOVER, statesman.

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When Gen Curtis Lemay, tough chief of Strategic Air Command, landed at Andrews Air Force Base here the other day and stood in the doorway puffing a cigar with the plane's engines still running, an enlisted man on the ground exclaimed, "Doesn't he know the plane might catch fire?" Another ground crew man murmured, "It wouldn't dare!"

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Cocktail party patter preceding armistice: "They should re-spell the word 'Rheenege'."

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Rep Victor Wickersham (D-Okla) was fast with a reply at drought aid hearings when a Pennsylvanian took a verbal swat at Southwesterners. "I knew a man who moved to Pennsylvania from Oklahoma," Wickersham snapped. "We always said it improved the standing of both states."

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Here, where the book-burning issue is still afire, one Democrat quipped: "The only books which need to be burned around here are the ones on golf!"

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Rep E C Gathings (D-Ark) polled his district, asking which agricultural policy was preferred, guaranteed 90% parity or the sliding-scale formula. About 25% who ans'd said they wanted both!

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CONFIDENCE—7

The popular creed of "believing in yourself" is a dangerous one, unless at the same time you believe in something beyond yourself; as Chesterton pointed out, all the people who *really* believe in themselves are in lunatic asylums. Reality consists in referring yourself to the universe, not in making a universe out of yourself. —SYDNEY J HARRIS, *Chicago News*.

CONVERSATION—8

Workers would have better morale, work better if day is sparked by real conversation (not just idle chit-chat), according to Donald M Laird, psychologist-writer. He says records show more production where there is no rule against talking on the job.—*Commerce*.

CRIME—9

In '52, 2,036,510 major crimes were committed in the U S. This number was 154,350 above the '51 figure. There were increases in all the major crime categories such as homicide, rape, aggravated assault, robbery, burglary, breaking and entering, grand larceny and theft. —J EDGAR HOOVER, director of FBI.

DIPLOMACY—10

Most people think diplomacy is the art of polite discourse and they conjure up the image of a flutter of cocktail parties enlivened by whispered confidences in darkened corridors. This image is, of course, completely false. Diplomacy is the art—the tough art—of forging workable agreements and it requires elements of skill and patience that often are in remarkably short supply.—HARDY C DILLARD, "Conflict and Persuasion," *Virginia Qlty Review*, Summer '53.

Mining The Magazines



For an entire wk recently radio commentator Fulton Lewis Jr kept up a running attack on magazine publishers, asserting that they are battling to maintain a quarter-of-a-billion dollar annual subsidy in low postal rates.

This is one of those factually-accurate attacks which present, nevertheless, a completely distorted picture. Certainly every informed person should know that magazines and newspapers pay, in Second Class postal rates, only a fraction of their actual cost of distribution. (The Post Office Dep't asserts that it currently carries 70% of the load. The Department's accounting methods are antiquated and inaccurate, so this figure is subject to some question. But in any case it should be kept in mind that a vast bulk of religious, scientific, educational and fraternal publications, sponsored by non-profit organizations, make only token payments. Until recently, wkly newspapers paid no postage whatever for circulation in the county of origin. They now pay one cent a pound.)

The policy of subsidizing the distribution of literature has grown up with the postal service. The entire structure of modern publishing is grounded in this philosophy. Any radical change would result in fantastic complications.

Actually, no one has even the haziest idea of what the eventual subscription rate would have to be for an average nationally-circu-

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U S Dep't of State is shaping up a new periodical, *Field Reporter*. It is to present our for'gn policy in action. Stories directly from spots where Americans are helping other nations. Purposes to tell *why* we are following certain courses. Will cover cultural as well as economic subjects. For information, write Sup't of Documents, Gov't Printing Office, Washington 25, D C.

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lated magazine, relying chiefly on mail subscriptions, and paying the full cost of distribution. The high subscription price necessary to cover added postage would result in fewer subscribers. Since advertising rates are determined by circulation, there would be less revenue from this source. Unit production costs would naturally go up. The subscription price would then have to be further hiked, and the vicious circle would again be in operation.

There is nothing secret or subversive in the postal subsidy. You simply cannot have big-circulation magazines of current excellence without a large postal subsidy. This is attested by one simple statistic: Magazine publishers, as a group, are already paying more for postal services than the total of their collective net profits.

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It's an **IDEA**

When workers won't come to you, one solution is to go to them. To overcome difficult employee recruitment in today's tight labor mkt, a Wisconsin manufacturer recently opened a plant in a Florida locale, populated largely by retired people. Many of the oldsters joined the company to supplement slim retirement incomes.—Advertiser's Digest.

EDUCATION—11

Education is the biggest business in America. It has the largest number of owners, the most extensive and costly plant, and utilizes the most valuable raw mat'l. It has the greatest number of operators. It employs our greatest investment in money and time, with the exception of nat'l defense. Its product has the greatest influence on both America and the world.—CHAS R SLIGH, Jr, pres, Nat'l Ass'n of Mfrs, *Nation's Schools*.

EMPLOYMENT—12

Employment outside of agriculture has gone up 3 times as fast as the population since '39, a study by the Nat'l Industrial Conf Bd shows. Since then, the population has risen 20%, employment 60%.—*McClure Newspaper Syndicate*.

FEAR—13

A neighbor of mine, in the Maine fishing village where I spend my summers, rep'ts that while folks there are in good

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health, for some reason everybody is uneasy. "It's no fun any more," he says, "even to smoke a pipe in the store. They're all kind of suspicious and afraid, and they talk of bad times coming. Seems as tho most people have lost their common sense. I don't like it. Fear don't set well in a man's mind."—MARY ELLEN CHASE, "Must America Live in Fear?" *Coronet*, 7-'53.

FREEDOM—14

Freedom, as we understand it in America, is not an economic discovery. It is not . . . even a political discovery. Freedom, in the last analysis, is a religious discovery.—WM J GREDE, board pres, Nat'l Ass'n of Mfrs.

HAPPINESS—15

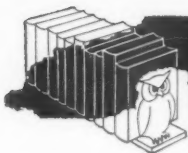
Americans have abandoned their rags-to-riches ideals for happiness. Today they're more interested in being happy and having fun than in financial success. — Dr ERNEST DICHTER, N Y psychologist, *Chicago Daily News*.

KNOWLEDGE—16

No one is ever too old to learn, but many people keep putting it off.—*Peninsular Light*, hm, Peninsular Life Ins Co.

LABOR—Compensation—17

I believe most men go to college to avoid hard work. Then they gripe because a truck driver, or a man who works on construction earns more money than they do. I get a little tired hearing about the problems of college graduates. Who is really smart, the truck driver who earns \$7,000 a yr, or the prof who earns \$4900?—Letter in *Chicago Sun-Times*.



Book Briefs

The Encyclopedia Britannica folks have been sponsoring a series of luncheons to mark completion of a revision cycle on their reference works. Walter Yust, Britannica's editor in chief for 15 yrs, takes the occasion to review some of the rewards and tribulations of his cloistered craft. A surprising number of people, Mr Yust tells us, spend a lot of time trying to catch the E B staff in an error. Once in a great while they succeed (despite fantastic precautions to assure accuracy.) But most complaints prove to be in the vein of the woman who wrote recently of her satisfaction in reading a comprehensive sketch on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. But there was, she insisted, one glaring omission: "You didn't tell who was buried there!"

In the old days you wrote a novel and called it *Adam Bede*, or *Jane Eyre*, or *Babbitt*, for reasons that were satisfyingly obvious. Now, we spend a good deal of time wondering, unproductively, about modern book titles. Is there, perhaps, a cult that seeks obscurity as its primary objective? We were wondering, matter of fact, about the genesis of Mark Kennedy's *The Pecking Order* (Appleton). Then we picked up the book and found an explanation in the form of an appended excerpt from Murphy's *Experimental Social Psychology*: "Hen A may regularly peck hen B, tho the latter does not retaliate. B takes it out, however, on

"Common sense dictates that reasonable censorship be exercised over the reading matter provided for public consumption. . . . Permitting everybody to read everything indiscriminately is very much like permitting anybody to buy poison without discrimination."—The Very Rev FRANCIS J CONNELL, dean, School of Sacred Theology, Catholic Univ, in *Catholic Men* (Aug).

C, and C on D. . ." So that's "the pecking order." Maybe more authors ought to follow the Kennedy precedent. For our part, we'll settle for simpler titles.

Even a seemingly obvious title may have a concealed concept, as Philip Young suggests in his analytical study, *Ernest Hemingway*, (Rinehart): "The title (of an early collection of short stories) *In Our Time* may simply have been meant to indicate, as commonly thought, that the material was contemporary But Hemingway delights in irony, and in titles that are quotations; it is almost certain that he intended here a sardonic allusion to that phrase from the *Book of Common Prayer*, "Give peace in our time, O Lord," for the stories are mainly of violence or evil. It is that there is no peace in them."

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War & Peace

COUNT LYOF NIKOLAYEVITCH TOLSTOI, Russian novelist, was born 125 yrs ago (Aug 28, 1828).

Tolstoi's major work, *War & Peace*, cast in the Napoleonic era, has been termed "a great novel without a plot." Tolstoi's purpose was to demonstrate that each individual life casts a profound influence on the continuing pattern of history. If we move thru the pages in a state of dazed confusion, the author reminds us that our progress in life is comparably uncertain. Yet vanity leads us on thru uncharted yrs. "Life without vanity," says Tolstoi, "is almost impossible."

The Frenchman is conceited from supposing himself mentally and physically to be inordinately fascinating. An Englishman is conceited on the ground of being a citizen of the best-constituted state in the world, and because he, as an Englishman, always knows what is the correct thing to do. An Italian is conceited from being excitable and easily forgetting himself and other people. A Russian is conceited precisely because he knows nothing and cares to know nothing, since he does not believe it possible to know anything fully. A conceited German is the worst of them all, and the most repulsive of them all; for he imagines he possesses truth in a science of his own invention, which is to him absolute truth.

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LEADERSHIP—18

If I had to make for my country a choice between wealth in great technicians and wealth in true leaders, I should plump for wealth in leadership every time. For a nation which is rich in great technicians may remain poor in great leaders, while a nation that is rich in leaders will inevitably before long automatically produce an abundance of fine technicians, artists and craftsmen.—ARTHUR BRYANT, *Illustrated London News*.

LIFE—Living—19

Live as if thine own and thy neighbor's life were one to thee.—JOSIAH ROYCE, *Spirit of Modern Philosophy* (Houghton Mifflin).

MARRIED LIFE—20

Not long ago, I read a splendid article by Lawrence Gould, consulting psychologist, which started off like this: "Do a woman's tears touch a man's heart? Not if you mean stirring his love or affection. What they do touch is his conscience—or as a psychiatrist would say, his 'sense of guilt.' And that has quite different results, few of which can be said to work in the woman's favor." —LELORD KORDLE, *Lady, Be Loved!* (World Publishing Co).

MIND—21

The mind is like an automatic telephone exchange with senses ringing up every second and asking to be connected in every direction.—HERBERT READ, *Education thru Art* (London).

MORALS—22

You need have no fear of stumbling over moral laws until you try to cross one of them.—RAY D EVERSON, *Indiana Farmers' Guide*.

Pathways to the Past



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Week of
Aug 23-29
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Aug 23—The 1st U S college for women (Mt Holyoke Seminary, S Hadley, Mass) held its 1st graduation exercises 115 yrs ago.

Aug 24—*Festival of St Bartholomew*. . . In a slight hassle with the Soviet 5 yrs ago today, USSR closed its consulates in the U S, we closed ours at Vladivostok.

Aug 25—*Feast of St Louis* (Louis IX of France). . . The 1st political labor party in the U S (Workmen's Party) held its convention in Phila, 125 yrs ago. . . It was 25 yrs ago today that Richard E Byrd left N Y C on the 1st of his Antarctic expeditions. From this voyage resulted his book, *Little America*. Following a later voyage ('34) he wrote *Alone*.

Aug 26—*Soldier's Hospital Day*. . . 1st Baptist Church (the Particular Baptist) estab in England by disaffected mbrs of Separatist Community, 320 yrs ago. . . 1st U S Lutheran synod held at Phila, 205 yrs ago. . . 1st public school kindergarten authorized, St Louis, Mo, 80 yrs ago. . . Lee DeForest, pioneer in development of radio, b 80 yrs ago today. . . 1st radio broadcast from a tape recording (station WQX9, N Y C) 15 yrs ago.

Aug 27—115 yrs ago today the Boston school bd authorized employment of a music instructor for public schools—1st such position in U S. . . 95 yrs ago the 1st news dispatch ever rec'd by

10 Years Ago

From the files of QUOTE: "If the Japanese are basing their future plans for the Pacific on a long period in which they will be permitted to consolidate and exploit their conquered resources, they had better start revising their plans now. I give that to them merely as a helpful suggestion."—FRANKLIN D ROOSEVELT. (*They didn't take the hint. Remember?*)

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cable was printed in N Y Sun. . . 25 yrs ago the Kellogg-Briand Peace Pact was signed in Paris. Largely the work of Frank B Kellogg, U S Sec'y of State ('25-'29) it renounced war "as an instrument of nat'l policy." Russia was 1st of 63 nations eventually to sign the document.

Aug 28—*Festival of St Augustine*. . . Count Lyof Nikolayevitch Tolstoi, Russian novelist, b 125 yrs ago (see *Gems of Yesteryear*). . . In an historic forward step, Great Britain abolished slavery in her colonies 120 yrs ago. . . Perhaps not the 1st dummy to get an honorary degree, Charlie McCarthy, noted radio personality, was dubbed "Master of Innuendo and Snappy Comeback" by Northwestern Univ, 15 yrs ago.

Aug 29—15 yrs ago we laid cornerstone of 1st bldg devoted entirely to Highway Traffic (Saugatuck, Conn).

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"Of all things!"

Some time ago Dan'l Gregory Mason, in his book, *The Dilemma of American Music* (Macmillan) suggested that with a fraction of the money we spend hiring professionals to amuse us, we could form amateur groups for creative expression. Thus we might become a music-producing instead of a musically-exploited people.

In Chicago last wk some 8,000 representatives of Nat'l Ass'n of Music Merchants expressed a belief that we may well be trending in that direction. Statistics are impressive. Fifteen yrs ago the annual sale of musical instruments was less than \$80 million. This yr the industry hopes it will top \$325 million.

Television gets a lot of credit. "Five yrs of television have done more for us than 35 yrs of radio," one dealer asserted. "Youngsters see musicians performing in a romantic atmosphere and want to emulate them."

Industry helps, too. Large employers have long sponsored choral groups. Now they go also for instrumental music. U S Steel, for example, has 12 bands and 11 orchestras formed from regular office and factory personnel. A Georgia chain of cotton mills has a 750-mbr band composed of employees' children.

But of course the big volume still comes from individual purchases. Arthur Godfrey is credited by the industry with helping to move 2½ million ukes in '50.

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MUSIC—23

Serge Koussevitsky, orchestra conductor, has said that, if America is to produce great musicians, the education of the professionals is less important than the musical education of the common people.—LISTON POPE, Dean, Yale Divinity School, *Presbyterian Life*.

NEGRO—Philosophy—24

The Communists' failure to capture the Negroes resulted largely from the party's adherence to the Kremlin line, to which the Negro question was subordinated. The party failed to appreciate the Americanism and lack of class solidarity among colored Americans.—Prof ROBT ERNST, speech to Mississippi Valley Historical Ass'n.

ORIGIN: Good-by—25

Our universally used word of farewell, *good-by*, is a monument to ancient piety. For centuries, when persons parted company, they said to one another: "May God be with you." By the time of Shakespeare, the sentence had been shortened to "God buy you." Later ages abbreviated it still more, with the result that the word "good-by" came into being.—WEBB B GARISON, *Pastor*.

PATIENCE—26

Sec'y Acheson once remarked that a gardener does not pull up his flowers each morning to inspect the roots.—JOHN SPARKMAN, *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*.

PRAYER—27

I have lived to thank God that all my prayers have not been ans'd.—JEAN INGELOW, English poet and novelist, quoted in *League Calendar*.

RELIGION—28

The world is today craving moral and spiritual leadership more intensely than ever before. — ARTHUR TWINING HADLEY, *World Affairs Interpreter*.

SECURITY—Insecurity—29

Insecurity is a state of mind rather than a state of your bank balance.—*Woman's Wkly*, London.

SEXES—30

When men and women agree, it is only in their conclusions; their reasons are always different.—GEO SANTAYANA.

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Sen CHAS W TOBEY, of N H, who died July 24 at the age of 73, was a fiery foe of the underworld. During the Kefauver crime investigations, he stated: "When the hearts of men and women are touched, they take their inspiration from the Master of Men, and then we will have in this nation a nation in which dwelleth righteousness, and before God it is high time."

A former teacher gave him his recipe for education: "Talk to somebody who knows more than you do." "I've done that," Sen TOBEY said. "I've talked to taxi drivers, ministers, waiters, senators . . . nearly everybody knows more about something than Tobey does." 31

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SPITE—32

When the Empress Josephine was informed that a woman she detested would on a certain occasion wear a dress of deep green, she had her drawing room hastily redecorated at great cost—wall-paper, furniture, coverings and rugs—in a shade of blue that

would make the green dress appear glaring and vulgar. — E A RHEINHARDT, *Josephine, Wife of Napoleon* (Knopf).

SUCCESS—33

Wheeler Sammons, for 27 yrs publisher of the famed *Who's Who*, has listed the attributes necessary for a Twentieth Century Horatio Alger. You should have the ability to deal with and influence people; the capacity for working really hard, for giving all to your job; a sense of satisfaction with your job; the courage to withstand the reverses that you will necessarily encounter; good physical condition; a lively interest outside your job; and a liberal education that teaches you to think. —*This Wk*.

VISION—34

During the Festival of Britain in the summer of '51 Winston Churchill visited the Dome of Discovery and was taken up in a lift to a telescope where, he was told, he could view the outer spaces. He viewed them and said: "Take me down. I am more interested in what is happening on the earth." — VIRGINIA COWLES, *Winston Churchill: The Era and the Man* (Hamish Hamilton, London).

WAR—35

War is like fire; you can prevent a fire, or you can try to put it out, but you can't win a fire, because fire is destruction.—Gen'l H H ("Hap") ARNOLD.

WORLD RELATIONS—36

Internat'l relations is personal relations with its hat off. — *Zontian*, published by Zonta Internat'l.

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Good Stories.....

you can use

At the height of the dispute over extending excess profits taxes, Speaker Joe Martin said he and Ways and Means Committee Chmn Dan'l Reed were really "Not so far apart. There was just one word separating us. Dan said 'no' and I said 'yes.'"—*Look*. a

" " They were discussing a rising young starlet. "You can talk all you want about her," observed one man, "but she'll probably make a good wife for 5 or 6 guys."—*N Y Post*. b

" " A N Y station held a contest inviting youngsters to write why they enjoyed the show. One honest lad who should have won the \$50 prize—but didn't—wrote: "The reason I like your show is because as soon as it's over, a better one comes on."—*BEA PEPAN, Milwaukee Jnl*. c

" " Dance band leader Victor Silvester has just been telling of a recent visit he made to Ireland with his orchestra. Arriving at one hall, he was dismayed to see a somewhat aged upright piano instead of the grand he had specified.

He remonstrated with the proprietor. "I asked for a grand piano," he complained.

The proprietor looked hurt. "Sure, an' you've got one," he exclaimed. "This is the grandest piano in County Mayo!"—*Tit-Bits, London*. d

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I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

VERA ZANIER

Former Commodity Statistician
Jnl of Commerce

One day a rugged individual came to my desk and asked about the price of "e-wees," because he had 2 carloads of them. He finally got the idea that I did not know what an "e-wee" was, so he explained that it was a "ship." Someone in the office passed by about that time, heard the inquirer talking about his "ship" and also got the whiff of sheep wool, something he became well acquainted with during his early yrs on a farm. From there on, it was easy: the chap had 2 carloads of female sheep!

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A young fellow was about to desert the bachelor ranks for matrimony. The boys in his dep't decided to dig for a wedding gift.

"How about a roaster?" suggested one of the boys.

"Nope," said a vet of many yrs of married life, "he's getting his own."—*Phoenix Flame*, hm, Phoenix Metal Cap Co. e

" " Aunt Letitia had never before been west of Chicago. She rode around our small Idaho valley with us with an explorer's intent, watchful look on her face. Everything was strange and new and the subject for curious questions.

Harvesting was in progress when

Wise Cracks

we took Aunt Lettie for a drive south of town. We slowed down when we saw her interest in a nearby field where a large work crew and machinery were stationed.

The old lady watched in silence for quite a while. Then she sighed in satisfaction.

"You know," she said, "I've always wanted to see a concubine working."—HANNAH SMITH. f

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One sweet young thing was confiding in another: "He told me my kisses were intoxicating—then I discovered he was mixing his drinks!"—Gourmet. g

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A man had a slight difference with his wife. But he acknowledged his error generously by saying, "You are right and I am wrong, as you generally are." Then he hurried to catch his train.

"So nice of him to put it like that," his wife said to herself—and then she began to think about it.—Supervision. h

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Once in a while, the choirs do get back at the ministers. In a Connecticut church, the minister announced as his text, just after the choir had sung its anthem, "Now when the uproar had ceased."

But when the singers rose at the close of the sermon, they rendered, in most hearty manner, the anthem beginning, "Now it is high time to awake after sleep."—Watchman-Examiner. i

Ten cents used to be big money. How dimes have changed.—Contact.

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Convention: An excuse for doing the unconventional.—T HARRY THOMPSON, Sales Mgt.

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The U S is the country where as soon as a man can afford to buy a Ford, he buys a Cadillac.—American Eagle.

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Every man needs a wife, as among the many things that go wrong there are a number he can't blame on the gov't.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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There's more cotton in a vitamin bottle's glass stopper than in a modern day bathing suit.—Packaging Parade.

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Many people who boast about their open minds should have them closed for repairs. — DAN BENNETT.

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Man is like a lampwick—trimmed lots of times before he gets the right flame. — Rowan Co (Ky) News.

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Some girls are working girls—and some are working men.—FRANCES RODMAN.

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The most common impediment of speech in children is bubble gum.—Vail (Ia) Observer.

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During a factory council election, in an Iron Curtain country, voters were led to the polls and handed an envelope which had to be deposited in the ballot box. One of the more inquisitive opened his envelope and started to examine the ballot slip. "Why are you doing that?" he was asked.

"Well," replied the worker, "I would like to know for whom I am voting."

"Are you out of your mind?" cried the supervisor. "Don't you know that the ballot is *secret*?"—*News From Behind the Iron Curtain*, Nat'l Comm for a Free Europe.

An American visitor touring a small Russian satellite country in his own car was invited to watch an imposing military review outside a small village. Presently a tire on one of the small trucks blew out. Quickly a man ran to the village, and as quickly returned with a new tire.

"Observe our great efficiency," a native boasted to the American. "No matter what breaks, we have an immediate replacement."

When the American returned to the village he found 4 tires missing from his car.—ADRIAN ANDERSON, *Catholic Digest*.

The American with his eye always out for business got his 1st view of the Sahara Desert. "Man!" he said, "What a place for a parking lot!"—Bonnie Bray. j

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In London for the Coronation, a pretty American girl was being shown round the House of Lords. Her escort, an elderly peer, introduced her to some of his lordly colleagues, and they went to lunch in the House.

After lunch, one beamed amiably over at the blonde: "Would you care to come up and see my Coronation robes?" he asked. Her reply brought one of the heartiest bursts of laughter the House of Lords has heard in yrs.

"In my country," murmured the girl, "they say etchings." — NOEL WHITCOMB, *Daily Mirror*, London. k

Social note in a western Ky wkly: "The Women's Club annual costume party was held last wk. The ladies were asked to come dressed like tramps and that was easy for most of them to do." — *Louisville Courier-Jnl Mag.* l

A movie star was declaring his love to his prospective sixth wife. "But I've heard some awful stories about you, dear," said the girl.

"Don't worry about that," he repl'd. "They're just old wives' tales." — *St John Telegraph Jnl*, Canada. m

A very, very big American business man dropped everything at his wife's insistence and left for a month in Europe. When he arrived in Paris he hired two limousines and an adequate staff of guides and attendants, and started out to tour the continent in a big way.

Shortly after the party set out, the chief guide ordered the car to be stopped on the top of a hill, and said: "From here, sir, one

may see the distant spires of Paris."

"Never mind the details," said the very, very big business man, "just tell me the names of the countries."—*Cambridge (England) Daily News.* n

A young lady was asked by the prosecuting att'y, "What gear were you in when the crash took place?"

She repl'd quickly, "A beret, two-tone shoes, and a grey flannel suit."—*Rig & Reel Mag.* o



Let The Bather Beware

Bikini bathing suits have been banned in the Virgin Islands.—*News item.*

Bikini suits,
Quite teeny suits,
Aren't for the tropic island,
Where brown-skinned girls
Who dive for pearls
Must leave, at times, the dry
land.

By moralists
They're roundly hissed,
They're also not in fashion
For any maiden
Who will wade in
And do a bit of splashin'.

They're for the doll
Who loves to loll,
To whom a swim's unthinkable,
Which is as well,
For who can tell
What happens when they're
shrinkable?

A young Montreal lawyer, who has only recently got himself an office, and who has not, as yet, got himself any valuable clients, tells us that when he went out for lunch the other day he stuck a sign on his door reading "Back in half an hour." Came back right on time, too, only to discover that somebody had added the word "Why?"—*Montrealer.* p

We arrived recently to keep a luncheon date with Sen Kefauver, who is well known—at least to owners of TV sets. A headwaiter informed us that he was not yet at his table. Assuming that any headwaiter would recognize the Sen, we waited outside the dining room. Some 20 min's later, a man who (to us) was unmistakably Sen Estes Kefauver bid us join him at the table where he had been patiently waiting since the appointed hour. "How could you make such a mistake?" we asked the headwaiter.

"I have no TV set," he repl'd firmly. "Faye Emerson, she is furious at me. *She wait 30 min's.*"—*Cosmopolitan.* q

At a prayer meeting in the backwoods country, testimonies were required and an extremely old woman finally tottered to her feet.

"I want to tell this whole company," she quavered, "that I have the rheumatiz in my back, and the rheumatiz in my shoulders, and the rheumatiz in my legs, and the rheumatiz in my arms, but I have been upheld and comforted by the beautiful Bible verse that says, 'Grin and bear it!'" — DAN BENNETT. r

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Quote-ettes

Mrs CASEY JONES, weary from hearing speakers eulogize her long-dead husband in ceremonies unveiling monument to him, swatted speaker across the seat of his pants with a bouquet of roses, advising, "Sit down, dearie! Everybody's done said all they can. Anyway, it's suppertime." 1-Q-t

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Sen Jos McCARTHY, after Pres Eisenhower's brother, Arthur, admitted calling McCarthy "the most dangerous menace to America.": "I don't hold Ike responsible for what his relatives say." 2-Q-t

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PAMELA MASON, wife of Jas Mason, film star, explaining to visitors why her small daughter's doll is dressed in a miniature mink coat: "I want Portland to get used to mink so that when she grows up she will be immune to the stuff as a temptation." 3-Q-t

SECOND CLASS MATTER

News of the **NEW**

New tool, called Edger-Hedger, can be connected to $\frac{1}{4}$ -in electric drill to become multi-purpose lawn and garden aid. It comes with handle for trimming around edges of fences, sidewalks, trees, shrubs. Without handle, it's a power trimmer for hedges, shrubs, grass. Pointed teeth serve as comb to make grass and shrubs stand up; then rotary blade chops them off neatly. \$9.95. (Bertram, 3125 Harrison, Kansas City, Mo.)

New attachment for hand mower sharpens blades, keeps them always keen, says mfr. It's a steel plate you fasten to upper front crossbar with 2 "U" bolts. To sharpen, just apply grinding compound to point where blades contact plate. Plate acts as bumper guard, simplifies mowing near hedges, bushes, etc. Costs \$3.95 with grinding compound and bolts. (Ideas Inc, 310 W Washington, Madison, Wis.)

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